The Hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—" I do not think so, because qualifications are laid down for these appointments and no preference is given to members belonging to agricultural communities."

Mr. C. BASU DEV:—" May I ask whether at least in the case of agricultural maistris who require no special qualifications, the Government would direct that men belonging to agricultural classes should be appointed?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—" Even maistris are expected to have previous training."

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" From the statement furnished I find that a number of them have applied. I think those who have applied must have possessed the necessary qualifications. Such being the case, what difficulty was there in providing at least those who were qualified and available for appointments from such professional agriculturists."

The Hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—" Appointments to the Subordinate Agricultural Service are made by the Director of Agriculture in consultation with the Services Commission. And the Services Commission takes into consideration only the qualifications required of the candidates."

Provision of finance for the fruit research Farm at Anantarajupet, Cuddapah district.

* 255 *Q.*—Mr. K. KOTI REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount allotted (1) by the Imperial Agricultural Research Council and (2) by the Madras Government for the newly opened Fruit Research Farm at Anantarajupet in Cuddapah district; and

(*b*) the amount allotted for (1) lands, (2) buildings, (3) salaries of the staff and (4) working expenses?

A.—(*a*) The amounts allotted for the Fruit Research Farm at Anantarajupet in Cuddapah district by the Imperial Central Agricultural Research and the Government of Madras are Rs. 66,064 and Rs. 13,000, respectively.

(*b*) The following are the amounts allotted under the several heads:—

	RS.
1 Lands	13,000
2 Buildings	8,656
3 Salaries of staff	29,808
4 Working expenses including contingencies, purchase of plants, etc.	17,500